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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Re: Application of Walter KAILBACH, Kerstin SKERRA, Hans-Jorg JAKEL, Martin
HUCK
M:N PATH PROTECTION
Assignee: ALCATEL
Our Ref. Q76006

Dear Sir:

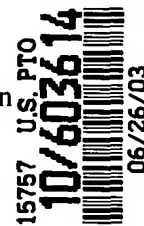
Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 21 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 13 sheets of drawings, an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	14 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	4 - 3	=	1	x	\$84.00	=	\$84.00
Base Fee							\$750.00

TOTAL FILING FEE	\$834.00
Recordation of Assignment	\$40.00
TOTAL FEE	\$874.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$834.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.





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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Europe	02360233.7	August 5, 2002

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

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